

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS. The Dermody Bid Question the Chief Subject

The city council met last night in special called session, Mayor Carey in the chair. All the councilmen were present except Mosbacher and Good. Councilman Harris asked permission to absent himself and it was granted.

The call for the meeting was read and placed on file

The call sp lifled the object of the meeting to be the consideration of the Dermody bid for the construction of a system of sewer flushing in district No. 1, repairing the dam, the occupancy of the jail part of the new city building, and the paving of the approaches to the entrances of the building.

On motion it was agreed to pave the approaches to the entrances to the city building with brick.

On motion it was agreed to occupy the police departments of the city building as soon as possible; Mr. Rogers, the contractor, waiving the right of possession without acceptance by the city.

The dam question was discussed and referred to a committee consisting of the public improvement committee, the city engineer and the city attorney.

The Dermody matter was then taken up The story of the case seems to be as fol- Dec. 5. lows; The clerk had advertised for bids to be received up till 5 o'clock of the day of the last regular meeting for the construction of a sewer flushing system in sewer district No. 1. Several bids were in at 5 o'clock, but at 7:29 when the council mei Dermody & Co hauded in a bid. The propriety of receiving it was discussed at the time in the presence of the other bidders, and it was agreed to receive it. When the bids were opened it was found to be the lowest, and upon motion it was unanimously agreed that the contract be awarded Dermody & Co. Subsequently it was hinted that inasmuch as the bid was not filed on or before 5 o'clock on the day specified in the clerk's advertisement, that it was not a valid bid.

The city attorney was called upon for an opinion, and he thought it not a safe plan to let the contract on the bid. He stated that he was unable to find anythe case that it was not a good bid.

mody & Co., if it was anlawful.

mody & Co. of the contract.

nion that the fact that Mr. Dermody had not put in his bid earlier, did not jeopardice his rights since the council had agreed to receive and war dramas, opened up its week's enopen his bid. He also referred to the fact | gagement at Havlin's yesterday afternoon that the other bidders who were present at | before an enthusiastic audience. Dealing the time, raised no objection to the recep- as it does, with the loves, ambitions and tion of Mr. Dermony's bid. Mayor Carey | hates of a little coterie of northerners and arose and expressed himself on the matter. | southerners over Mason and Dixon's line, He said that the council had rules and the recommendation of novelty can not be that the bidders, who were on the outside, given it. But for being a first-class comhad no right to raise an objection, unless edy drama, having plenty of excitement tobacco. It was grown on the place, and they had been given permission. He stirred in with the fun and pathos, it can said to be cured by the farmers there, stated, however, that he did not wish to be set down as a success. Jerry Donovan but I always claimed that it was not a dictate to the council, and that as the city is an Irish lad at work on the farm of Joel radical cure by any means. It was attorney was his legal adviser, he did not Osborne in Connecticut. Jerry owns a called the International smoking tobacfeel like signing a contract unless the city attorney wouch to him for the fact that it

Mr Stanley, the next lowest bidder to would interpose an objection against the reception of Mr. Dermody's bid on the night it was received were it not for the t that the motion to receive it bad been passed before he had time to object. To settle the matter action upon it was postponed till next Monday night, at which time the city attorney promised to have a full and complete opinion to render An exchange says: in the matter' After this it was moved and carried that the council adjourn till next Monday night.

It was in the program to have an executive session but it was dispensed with for

The police reported everything remarkably quiet on their beasts last night, ple on the streets and after midnight the traveling thoroughfares were deserted, bowled along with the driver on top trying to keep warm and pass away the time until morning should appear.

Right Rev. Bishop Hennessey of this jubilee of the venerable Archbishop Ken- to employ. drick of St. Louis, and the Globe-Democrat. has a portrait of him in its gallery of well day, Dec. 2, at 9 a. m. known ecclesiastics to Sunday morning's paper Bishop Hennessey is an old acaintance of Archbishop Kendrick having served twenty years in his jurisdic-

choir at the First Presbyterian church Sunday evening was composed and written by Wichita talent. Its author is Robert C. Marquis, who is also a member of the choir. Quite a number of his productions have been used at various musiciety will give a social at Justice Tucker's court room, 200 North Main street, tonight in honor of Mrs. M. L. Allen. Music, games and daucing will be the order of the tation as a composer of more than ordi-

the city visiting Ed Goldberg. Mr. Goldberg will entertain him while here with quall shooting and proposes to show him bow a Kansan can shoot. The doctor is a very pleasant young gentleman and al- Mrs M. M. Wooncock, Secretary. ready he is head over heels in love with the Peerless Princess. He thinks it is a the Peerless Princess. He thinks it is a wonderful city considering its age and the directors of the Huwonderful city considering its age and the directors of the Huber 4th at 4 welock, in room 211 Sedawick a very tiresome job, and so we most althe drawbacks of its youth and what he has seen of it inspires him to make a prophecy that it is destined to become the great commercial metropolis of the great eat commercial metropolis of the great

DAVE SPRAGUE AGAIN.

David Sprague, the unsuppressable Dave, is again in the hands of the law. David, it will be remembered, is the sly youth that stole Arthur Sullivan's horses some two or three mouths ago. It is said that David would sooner steal a horse any time than eat pie, and the officers have put him down as the greatest fancier of other people's horse flesh, that there is in the state of Kansas. When he stole Arthur Sullivan's horse be went into retiremen for a few weeks in Nebraska, and retire ment becoming monotonous to him. be emerged therefrom and stole two more horses from an honest farmer of that state. He sold them and tookithe money down to Topeka where he begon spending it with the extrava-gance of a French count David's mouth s his greatest enemy and as usual he shot it off in Topeka a few days ago when an fficer nabbed him and turned him over to several charges are against him. After he uffers for his crimes there the officers of his county will interview him and it will be a long time till the officers of Nebraska will get hold of him, for he is wanted in several counties in Kansas. He is acquainted at the penitentiary, for he was ent up from here five years ago, LITERARY PROGRAM.

The following is the program for the West Side C. L. S. C. Friday evening,

Quotations from Washington's "Rules of Life."

of Life."

American history, by Mr. Lawrence.

Three mi ute sketches of the life of
Washington, as follows:

1. From its beginning to the commencement of the Indian wars, by Mr. McCor-

 During the French and Indian wars, by Miss Horn.
 During the Revolution by Rev. Shane. 4 After the Revolution to the presi-tency, by Miss Effic McCormick. 5. Washington's presidency, by Mrs.

 Bass.
 His closing years, by Miss Hill. Music, by Misses Bryson and Sharp. Social Institutions, by Mr. Blake. EMILY R. FOWLER, Sec'y.

AMUSEMENTS.

The popular young comedian Ray L. thing in the reports that would show that Royce made his initial appearance in the the question had been passed upon, but city last evening at the Crawford Grand, argued from the circumstances attending presenting "Tom's Vacation," a musical skit in three acts. 'Tis not a play, but, as Councilman Buckeridge took the floor the management claim, a genuine laughand expressed his sentiments on the mat- maker, and a medium through which the ter. He stated that he neither approved | wonderful imitative powers of Mr. Royce nor voted for the reception of the bid, but are shown. He posses in a marked degree that since it was received and the contract | that peculiar fund of quaint, quiet hamor awarded Dermody & Co., he thought it which has done so much to establish the would not be proper for the city to break eputation of Sol Smith Russell, Nat the good faith manifested in giving the Goodwin and others. In assuming the contract, even though the whole matter several characters, and in giving the imiseemed a little irregular. He wished it tations as Tom Dashwood, as played by understood, however, that he would not Mr. Royce, one will readily see the amount favor the holding of the contract by Der- of close study and hard work necessary nody & Ca., if it was nnlawful.

Councilman Glaze stated that it was the

That Mr. Royce was successful it can

zustom to receive bids at any time pre-vious to the meeting of the council, not-withstanding the fact that the clerk ad-earned applause, received from a more vertised to receive them up to a certain hour. The clerk, he stated, did Thronghout the piece numerous specialithat for his own convenience and it was in no sense the action of the council. He favored no action that would deprive Der-lovers of banjo and mandolin music enjoyed a royal treat in the solo and duets Judge Ruggles asked for permission to upon those instruments as given by Mr. speak in behalf of M. Dermody & Co., and Arthur Moore and Miss Lizzie H. Royce. he made a ten minutes speech, giving the statutory points bearing on the subject. Good. Mr. Charles Horwitz, as the census He said that Mr. Dermody had securally enumerator with his "Who and what are made out and sealed his bid prior to 5 you," presented a part with much delighto'clock, and that the clerk's office was closed before he could have it filed. He closed before he could have it filed. He lessed that the bid had not been besury and dances nicely. Miss Lucia B. opened afterwards and that, therefore, it | Griffin was clever in her imitations, especwas impossible to have taken any advantaged of the other hidders. He also agreed dent Cleveland has been listening to lately. by order of the committee to make a Rewith Mr. Glaze with reference to the custom and gave it as his personal and pro-warm reception should he visit Wichita got there that the band was not there to

"The Irish Corporal," the newest of the happy disposition, a capital voice and a face equal to any emergency. He is head over heels in love with Celia, who also works for the family, and their trials and Mr. Dermody, spoke and said that he troubles make up the comedy of the play. -St. Louis Post-Democrat, Wednesday,

PETER BAKER.

tion for one night only, Friday, Dec. 4, in come a settled matter in this country. his rich dressed comedy "The Emigrant."

noon, and his reconstructed musical com-edy "The Emigrant," was received with bursts of genuine enthusiasm. Off all the plays that have been built around one better than "The Emigrant," Fete Baker understands the art of subordinating him self to his surroundings. He seldom claims the entire stage, gives his support a chance, and in this way adds greatly to the egg to grapple with the fumes of the larger to grapple with the graph with t attractiveness of the performance. His dialect is of the kind that impresses the listener with its unforced quality. He bluders through his English discourse in an unconscious sort of way that is delight Now. ful, and takes only such Hberties with our Catholic diocese is attending the golden away from his native vennacular is prone the sir, and cries of "Shut upf" and "Go

Seats on sale at the box office Wednes-

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

WICHITA LIGHT INFANTRY, ATTENTION! This command will assemble at the The beautiful anthem rendered by the Armory this (Tuesday) evening at So'clock for muster and drill.

By order of W. IRVING OSBORNE, Captain. F. H. HETTINGER, Sergeauk,

evening. All are invited.

A meeting of the Womans' Relief corps Dr. H. H. Martin of Denver, Col., is in the city visiting Ed Goldberg. Mr. Goldberg will entertain him while here with the city visiting Ed Goldberg. Mr. Goldberg will entertain him while here with the city visiting Ed Goldberg. Mr. Goldberg will entertain him while here with the city visiting and prepages. It is not to show him. MRS LYDIA SHEP, President.

NYE'S RAMBLES IN OHIO.

PLAYING POOL FOR THE CIGARS WHILE THE TRAIN IS COMING.

Telling Speech His Brother Made and What It Brought Him-The Sad Lesson That a Young Man Was Taught While

[Copyright, 1891, by Edgar W. Nye.] EN PASSANT IN THE MERRY MONTH OF NOVEMBER.

We are in Michigan at this writing, and scooting across the Peninsula by the judicious use of the bounding train. "Autumn has indeed come," said a sad man yesterday, who seemed to be on his third bridal tour, accompanied by a kippered widow with a green veil. She nodded when he said that, and put her the sheriff of McPherson county where cold and pulseless nose against the window of the car.

They had a very large two handled compromise trunk, which the groom used in knocking out people's brains as



he started up wildly at every station, thinking it was his own destination. He said he was from Newriggle, O., where it is said that a man was killed in a church. I did not learn what his offense was, but no doubt he richly deserved his fate. Possibly he put a pants button on

the plate. Newriggle is not far from Wingert's Corners, where Nasby first got his idea of the Confedrit X Roads. It was there he heard a sermon over the body of a the idea which he afterward carried out. Newriggle is a strong Democratic

stronghold, and according to law must have three members of the successful party in the preceding election as election judges, etc. Three Republicans had to be imported this year into Newriggle before the election could be held according to law.

Newriggle reminds me, in this respect, of Erin Prairie, a town in my old state, where there was only one Republican in eighteen years, and he was last seen crossing the line at a fox trot and picking large pieces of rock salt out of his legs as he ran.

My brother spoke at Erin Prairie once on the living issues of the time. He was a young man, fired with ambition and willing to speak almost anywhere that the committee sent him. He had a good voice, and it was no trick at all for him to have an entire petit jury bathed in tears. He spoke feelingly always, and scalding tears chased one another down the furrowed cheek of the juror who had not formed or expressed an opinion for or against the accused.

So my brother went out to Erin Prairie meet him, but he got some tea and inquired for the hall. It was a plain hall. with a frayed lithograph of a forgotten one night ventriloquist hanging from the walls and perchance a three sheet poster of the Goldie-McCracken Leggitti-

mate Hippy-te-hop company. He went in among the voters, but he saw no kindly look of recognition. Erin Prairie was always noted for its smoking co, because you could smoke it in this and bleeding at the nose at every bump, country and smell it in Europe.

had been less scab and hollow horn of the defendant and lead him away. among sheep and cattle since the adoption of the war tariff, and that pip

for an introduction, as if to refute his One of the leading German dialect comedians and singers and a prime St. Louis favorite, "Pete" Baker, opened an engagement at Havlin's yesterday after popped. Then suddenly it made a few offensive remarks and became a disagreeable omelet on the side of the lamp. My brother is a calm man, with a man's distribution versatility, there are few light blue eye and a stiff upper lip on better than "The Emigrant." Pete Baker which there is a migranes growth of your ternational smoking tobacco of Erin Prairie, he began his speech in clarion

> Now and then the parent of an orphan kitten would come whistling through home!" might have been heard by one who happened to have his ear to the ground at that time.

> My brother looked a little pale, for his health was not very good and the room was very close indeed, but he spoke on bravely till, like the Clover club, Erin Prairie had made all the remarks it had to make, and then it simmered down. When he closed he got a hand or two, and one old man with thick red fur down the outside of his throat and a medicated flannel lining to his mouth said as he shook hands with the young

> speaker: not judge the town by the dom hoodmoight call a riprisintitive audience at

had a dom bit of sinse staid at home." In Ohio we had to wait over at raila very tiresome job, and so we most always hunt up a Milliard room and wear

got our coats checked and then went to a temperance billiard hall, where at the cigar counter they used a natural gas well for cigar lighting.

been slept on a good deal too much, and been siept on a good deal too much, and have all the virtues of the larger ones; the cushions mouned when a ball struck equally effective; purely vegetable. Exact size shown in this border. them, and the cues needed new tips, and the floors needed concentrated lye and a

We played eight games in two hours, for which we were required to pay forty cents, or five cents per game. When this was done the proprietor gave us sixteen cigars.

"They are pool cigars," he said. "We give them, two for a game, here. They ain't imported cigars, but our fellers smokes 'em quite a good deal."

So we got sixteen cigars, eight games of pool and went away. There being three of us, it came to 13} cents piece, and no charge at the hotel for checking our overcoats. The cigars were of the saleratus blond type, with real jute filler. If one is careful not to tip the cigar up so as to let the works fall out, he can smoke one almost up. They are domestic cigars, and have never had the benefits of travel. A few more of them would care me of the appetite for tobacco and put me on the platform as a worker against its use. But later I find that they are not composed of tobacco, so we must not be unjust.

Noticing recently that Manager J. M. Hill is getting on his broken leg again, reminds me of an incident which took place some years ago when a young man in the balcony at the Standard theater seemed to be just full enough to court investigation and call for his enemies to of the approaching train. The inst come forward and get killed. You have ments are to be kept at the signal bo seen that style of jag which yearns for something to crush and mutilate. It generally finds several of those before it gets through.

This young man sat with his hat en and rested his broad, intelligent feet on the seat in front of him. When the usher asked him for his check he told him to get out or he would beat out his brains with a damp towel. Oh, he was a coarse, bad man, and the usher was a pale, slight, girlish figure with pompadour hair and an Eden Musee dress suit.

The bad man looked around over the house and bade the show to open up and turn loose. He was temporarily in possession of the house, and glad of it. "Let" her go; we're all in! Ring her up, and damn be the first feller that says 'Nuff!'

Pretty soon a visiting pastor from soldier, it is claimed, which gave him | Maine sat down in the seat in front of the tough gent from Avenue A and gently asked him to take down his feet, as they annoyed him and sort of chafed him under the arms.

The bad man smiled at the good man and sort of tickled him under the arms with the toe of his boot. "I'm here elder, you bet yer sweet life; 'at's swat's matter. I come in here and I set where I just by gosh happen to want to. Reserved sent's no object to me. Where I set down is my reserve seat. See?"

Just then the visiting pastor from Maine gathered the massive feet, one under each arm, and gently took for the aisle. Gayly he tripped up the aisle, knocking off a lumbar vertebræ at every jump. Around he went to the stair, and so trickling along down with the bad man at his heels, shedding front teeth



down the iron shod stairway and so on My brother went back to the end of out into the street and into the arms of the hall and took out some notes he had a policeman, who wasn't quick enough made which went on to show that there | to get away and so had to take charge

Should the bad man who "never had to reserve a sent" ever read these lines Pete Baker, the leading German dialect among poultry had decreased \(\frac{1}{2} \) of 1 per he will understand that the visiting pas commedian of America will be the attraction, since the protective tariff had be tor from Maine who scattered splinters of spine and things down the stairway While he was writing a line or two of the Standard theater was J. M. Hill.

We should learn from this at all times to avoid those things from which we



A man wanted to find out what calling his little son was most fit for, and locked him up in a room with a Bible, an apple and a dollar note. If he came back and found him reading the Bible he would make a parson of him; if the lad were eating an apple he should be a farmer; and if he were playing with the note he would train him for a banker. On entering the room he found the boy sitting on the Bible, eating the apple and with the dollar note in his pocket. He then and there decided that his son should be a lawyer. - Arbeiterfreund.

While cyclones and tornadoes are different phenometa, the former appear to give rise to the latter. Tornadoes almost always break out, if at all, on the southeasterly outskirts of a cyclone.

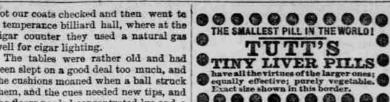
Lettuce Matured by Electricity. Among the bulletins of the agricultural experiment station of Cornell university is "Mr. Nove, ye done dom well wid a of some experiments made on plants with dom poor chance, and be gorry ye must a view of determining the influence of the electric light upon their growth. To that lums and reof skoof and Hoen ve Hoons end a greenhouse was divided into two and ragtag and behial that was here equal parts by a tight board partition. On tonight, for he gorry it was not what ye one side the plaus are left to the ordinary conditions of growth, but on the other side the vegetation was treated to the sun-Ivery mon in Airin Prairie that light by day and to the electric light by

The results of these experiments showed the nearer they grew to the light the out the time by playing pool and billiards. Pool in Ohio is not an expensive tion, although teah were planted at the and fertile state that surrounds it. Dr.

Martin will stay here several days and has already made a host of friends.

The T. E. Piano club will meet at the junctions. We had to wait two hours at one junction, so we went to the hotel.

Philadelphia Record.



To Protect Lives of Railroad Men. An ingenious and simple instrument has been devised for the protection of surface men at work on the railways. The inventor, Sir William Arrol, was led to apply his mind to this matter in consequence of the numerous fatalities which have lately occurred among that class of railway servants in England. The instrument consists of a steel spring connected with a portable electric battery and bell by a coil of wire two or three hundred yards long. When the spring has been bolted into position on the inner side of the rail and almost flush with the top of the rail the battery is carried to the neighborhood of where the workmen are engaged, the connec tion being kept up by the coil of wire, which is unwound to the necessary

When a train comes along the spring is depressed by the flanges of the wheel as they pass over and two metallic buttons, one on the under side of the spring and the other on the upper side of the sole plate, are brought into contact and complete an electric circuit suppl from the battery, ringing the ball at battery and thus warning the works along the line so as to be readily av able by the workmen. Sir William Ar does not intend to patent the inventi His sole desire is to render the surfa man's life a less dangerous one and gives all railway companies permissi to manufacture as many as they pleas -Chicago News.



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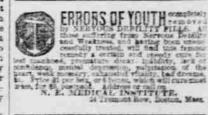
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ing of the blood and the esting of raw beaf

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there are scores and scores of persons in this city who estimate their thirst by drink-

ing blood, and who appease their hunger with raw, bloody beef. Of course they do

not do this all the time, but they probably

would if the opportunity were presented.

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but for the remen that it might disgust their acquaintance. - Louisville Courier-

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